

SMOKING PRODUCT PACKAGING DEVICE AND METHOD

Abstract

An improved apparatus (15) for packaging smoking products comprising a loading
5 carriage (16) configured and arranged to hold smoking products, a reservoir divider (18)
separating the loading carriage into a first reservoir compartment (19) for units of a first
type of smoking product (21) and a second reservoir compartment (20) for units of a second
type of smoking product (22), a feeder (23) for guiding a preselected number of the units
of smoking product to an ejection position (24) for packaging, a feed divider (25) separating
10 the feeder into a first feed compartment (26) for units of the first type of smoking product
and a second feed compartment (28) for units of the second type of smoking product, the
first reservoir compartment communicating with the first feed compartment and the second
reservoir compartment communicating with the second feed compartment, the divider and
compartments configured and arranged to guide units of the first type of smoking product
15 and units of the second type of smoking product to the ejection area such that units of both
the first type of smoking product and second type of smoking product are positioned to
be ejected as a group (29).